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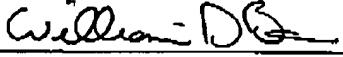
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CATHETER

Group Art 3763
Unit:

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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This election is in response to an Office Action containing an Election/Restriction Requirement mailed March 10, 2005, carrying a shortened statutory period of response of one month expiring April 10, 2005.

Restriction

Restriction has been requested from among the following Groups of claims:

Group I: Claims 1 – 11, drawn to a method and a shunt; and

Group II: Claims 12 – 16, drawn to a catheter.

The asserted grounds for separating these groups are:

Inventions I and II are related as sub-combinations disclosed as usable together in a single combination. The sub-combinations are

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distinct from each other if they are shown to be separately usable. In the instant case, invention II has separate utility such as infusing treatment material, draining materials or a straw for drinking.

While Applicant agrees that the claims of Group I are distinct and patentable over the claims of Group II, and vice versa, it is respectfully submitted that the inventions should, nevertheless, be examined together. Both inventions are classified in Class 604 and should be searchable together.

Nevertheless, applicant elects the claims of Group I, namely claims 1 - 11, with traverse. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement is respectfully requested.

Summary

Favorable examination and allowance are respectfully requested. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned attorney if there any questions regarding this application.

Respectfully Submitted,

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